# FRANKLIN'S PATH TO PREVENTION: A Collaborative Approach

# Who are we?



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# Painting the Picture

What are the Demographics of Franklin?

- District Enrollment: 884; around 270 at FHS
- Over 60% of student population is considered economically disadvantaged (FHS: 51%)
- About 35% of students have a disability (FHS: 25%)
- Average Teachers Salary \$50,234
  - O State Average: \$66,575



# Painting the Picture

Franklin needed to improve a number of outcomes:

- a. 2020 FHS Dropout rate 8.33%
- b. 2022/2023 Attendance Rate: 83%
- c. 2023 YRBS participation rate 65%
- d. 2022 Recorded Incidents of Violence: 44



#### Our Goals



Franklin High School was looking to:

Strengthen Community

Partnerships

Improve Student Culture

Improve Academic Outcomes

Decrease Behavior Incidents

Franklin Partners in Prevention was looking to:

Increase Student Engagement

Increase Student Input

Decrease Youth Use of Substances

Increase Protective Factors



# How did we do it?



# The First Year 2022-2023

#### School Attendance

#### Initials Initiatives:

- Hire a School Climate Specialist and create Culture and Climate Crew
- Revamp Advisory classes (WeConnect)
- Creating 9th Grade Switch
- Send out Letters expressing new expectations & Met with Families
- Increased Hallway monitoring during school day

### What is C3?

• FHS created the Culture and Climate Crew so every student has the opportunity to have their voice heard. (Surveys, Posters)

• We wanted them to be a part of the change (defining Focused Honest Safe)

• We want to support relationships within our crews to help students feel more connected



## The Second Year 2023-2024

#### Improving Student Behavior

#### Initiatives:

- Making Academics more engaging and challenging:
  - Increasing required credits to graduate
  - Change in Master Schedule
  - Connecting with Community Partnerships
  - O Purchasing School Vans and Implementing Walking Field Trips
  - Change in Tornado Time
- Change in suspension process
- Revised Student Handbook with Student Voice



#### FHS Master Schedule

Monday

Session A 90 Minutes

Session B 90 Minutes

Session C 90 Minutes plus Lunch

Session D 90 Minutes Tuesday

Session E 125 Minutes

CREW/LUNCH 90 Minutes

Session F 125 Minutes

Support 60 Minutes Wednesday

Session A 90 Minutes

Session B 90 Minutes

Session C 90 Minutes plus Lunch

Session D 90 Minutes Thursday

Session E 125 Minutes

CREW/LUNCH 90 Minutes

Session F 125 Minutes

Support 60 Minutes Friday

Session A 90 Minutes

Session B 90 Minutes

Session C 90 Minutes plus Lunch

Session D 90 Minutes

# Seizing the Opportunity

The Impact of Co-Facilitated Classes was Mutually Beneficial

Increase School/Community Initiatives

- Getting to Y
- YLTA
- Youth in Government





out of school settings IS substance use prevention

## The Third Year 2024-2025

#### Incentivizing Positive Choices

#### **Initiatives:**

- Tornado Tickets
  - O Pass all Classes, Maintain 90% attendance rate, no more than 1 behavior referral, no more than 5 tardies to school (Quarterly)
  - O 168 Tickets Total
- Student of the Week
- Detox Dining/Tech Free Tuesdays
- Revamped Disciplinary Protocol
- Updates Disciplinary Referral Software to better track progress



## How Does Franklin Handle Discipline?



- FHS has eliminated 10 day suspensions and In-School Suspensions
- Worked to nail down a consistent policy to address all kinds of behavior:
  - Initial Consequence of 3 Days
  - After Day 1 Student is given the option to come back to school to participate in reflective practice.
  - For Substance Use Referrals specifically:
    - 4 Hours of reflection done with SAP using online learning modules
  - No student yet has opted to serve the full three day suspension

# How Do We Come Together?

- Working together on Family Engagement, Student Prevention Initiatives and Leveraging Funding
- Began Co-Facilitating Classes aimed at building Leadership Skills in Students in 2024
- Collaborating on Procedure and Policy Work Groups
- More Formal Collaboration through the Tier 1 MTSS-B Model

# The Impact

- Day of Caring Activities
  - Hygiene Drive
  - Overdose Prevention Kits
- Leadership and Culture Building outside of the classroom
- Use of Extended Learning
  Opportunities & LRCC Partnership
- Increase of Student Voice to be considered in School and Community
   Change
- Increased Education in Health and Wellness Topics



## The Outcomes

- 140 Van Trips Taken this year,
   including sports, clubs and Field
   Trips
- Detox Dining Days: 67 Students, then 84 students
- No Phone Fridays & Tech Free Tuesdays: Over 50 Students



• Over 40 ELO's This Year

#### The Outcomes

YEAR	2022	2023	2024	2025*
Incidents of Violence	44	50	21	16
Out of School Suspension Rate	17.39%	13.49%	4.02%	-
In School Suspension Rate	14.62%	13.49%	0.00%	0.00%
Teacher Retention	Lost 7 Staff	100%	100%	100%
YRBS Participation	-	65%	-	85%
School Attendance Rate	-	83%	87%	90%
Drop Out Rate (2020: 8.33%)	1.50%	3.72%	1.48%	-

## Conclusion

Kids Need to be in School to Address Behavior

Addressing Student Behavior is a Holistic Process

Schools Don't Have to Do It Alone - Addressing

School Culture IS Prevention

# Questions?

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